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28 APR 68 IN 99685

1. ON 28 APRIL DOCTOR KLAUS STEER, GERMAN DIRECTOR SCIENTIFIC DEPARTMENT AFRICA, E. MERCK AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT, KARMSTADY GERMANY, REPORTED THAT HE SAW MAN IN LAGOS 23 APRIL WHOM HE SAID HAS STRONG PHYSICAL RESEMBLANCE TO NEWSPAPER PHOTOGRAPHS OF ERIC STAVRO GALT, WANTED IN CONNECTION WITH MURDER OF MARTIN LUTHER KING. HE WAS SENT TO AMERICAN EMBASSY BY GERMAN AMBASSADOR TO WHOM HE FIRST RELATED HIS STORY.

2. HE SAW THIS PERSON AT DESK OF BRISTOL HOTEL IN LAGOS AFTERNOON OF 23 APRIL WHEN THEY WERE BOTH CHECKING OUT OF HOTEL. STEER WAS ACCIDENTLY GIVEN ACCOUNTING SLIP OF THE SUSPECT ON WHICH STEER NOTED FOLLOWING: NAME, JOE MUSGAQUE REPEAT MUSGAQUE. ROOM NUMBER 403, RECEIPT NUMBER D 52138 ACCOUND NUMBER 08325. STEER NOT CERTAIN WHETHER MUSGAQUE REGISTERED AS AMERICAN CITIZEN.

3. IN SHORT CONVERSATION WITH SUSPECT, STEER LEARNED THAT MUSGAQUE WAS EMPLOYED BY WILDER OIL COMPANY AND ENROUTE TO WARRI OIL FIELD IN NIGERIA UNDER A $40,000 PER YEAR CONTRACT. HIS TOUR WILL BE EIGHTEEN MONTHS. MUSGAQUE REPORTEDLY HAD ARRIVED RECENTLY FROM LAS PALMAS VIA ACCRA ON NIGERIAN AIRLINES.

4. STEER WILL BE IN ADDIS ABABA UNTIL THURSDAY 2 MAY IF THER ANY NEED QUERY HIM FURTHER. ~~SECRET~~

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